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STIFF FINES, JAIL SENTENCES GIVEN TO HUNTING VIOLATORS

Two alleged wild duck bootleggers and four hunters found shooting over baited fields were recently given severe sentences in Federal Courts in Tennessee, Virginia, and Louisiana, the Bureau of Biological Survey reported to Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes today.

In Tennessee, Homer K. Jones, of Germantown, was fined a total of \$550 by Judge John D. Martin, Sr., for shooting doves over a baited field.

Darnell Tennison and James Walker, alleged duck bootleggers of Doyline, Louisiana, were sentenced to jail for 65 and 75 days, respectively, by Judge Gaston L. Porterie in Federal Court at Shreveport.

Edwin B. Totty, Robert A. Totty, and William R. Seward, all of Petersburg, Virginia, were fined \$50 each for shooting geese by aid of bait. Judge Robert N. Pollard, of the Federal Court at Richmond, sentenced the men.

Tennison and Walker were apprehended when Biological Survey game agents were informed the two men were bootlegging wild ducks into Shreveport. Two agents waited in a car parked on the highway. When the violators drove by, the agents pursued them and stopped their car. The agents found 32 wild ducks on the rear seat.

The three Virginia hunters were arrested when Survey agents found them shooting at geese from a blind placed in a baited field. The agents, according to reports, found feed as close as three feet from the blind.

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